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Barbara Cooper is currently the Assistant Secretary, Meat Exports Branch within the Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources. Ms Cooper is responsible for the meat export program and export certification systems for all commodities including electronic certification (eCert).

Ms Cooper currently has oversight on the redevelopment of our exports system. The objective of this project is to modernise and streamline our exports.

Ms Cooper has worked on Australia's eCert initiative since 2003. She was the Co-Lead of the eCert Project Team at the United Nations Centre of Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business resulting in the ratification of the UN/CEFACT standard for eCert.

Ms Cooper is currently the co-chair of a Working Group in the Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Certification and Inspection Systems (CCFICS) considering work within the committee to develop guidance on the use of electronic certificates.